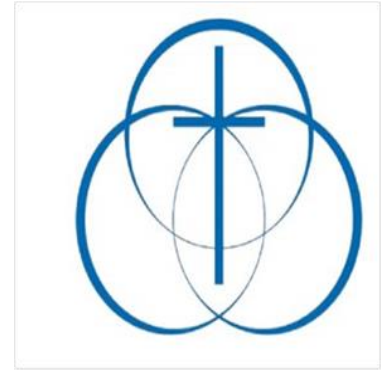


Oneco Hope News

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Dear Family, its time for an experiment!

God longs for us to **GROW!**

- **Grow** in the grace and knowledge of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ. (2 Pet. 3:18)
- Like newborn babies, long for the pure milk of the word, so that by it you may **grow** in respect to salvation. (1 Pet. 2:2)
- The love of each one of you toward one another **grows** ever greater; (2 Thess. 1:3)

While only the Holy Spirit can produce Christ-like growth in us, we are responsible for placing ourselves in positions where we can grow. Growth is absolutely not automatic. It is intentional on God's part, and He asks us to cooperate with Him.

One of the pathways of growth God provides for us is Sunday School. We presently have two wonderful adult classes: The Hebrews Class in the Hebrews room, led by Gary Clark, and our newest Sunday School Class in the Joshua Room, led by Reverend Art Leach. These classes begin at 10:15AM each Sunday. Thanks be to God for these two classes.

For some time now, I have personally experienced a yearning for a third, different kind of Sunday School class which I would teach. This class would be in Room 7, of our west Education Building. We would begin on Sunday September 15th. This class will be different than any class we presently have, and different from any class that I have ever taught. Here are the basics of the class:

- Sunday Mornings: 10:15 -11:00. Only 45 minutes. Room #7
- We are looking for people who are not presently attending a Sunday School Class.

- This class will be multi-generational. We want ALL ages, but we will especially focus on children (beginning at grade 3) and youth.
- Grandparents could attend with their grandchildren. Single Moms or Dads could come, with or without their children/youth.
- We hope to eventually invite some of our Operation-941 children and their families.
- Each Sunday, we will simply read easy Bible passages, discussing them in a manner that all ages can understand.
- Sincere questions about God and His Word will be welcomed.
- We will love each other.
- Refreshments? Of course!
- We will begin and end with prayer. Together we will grow in prayer.

Yes, this multi-generational class is truly an experiment! But if you are not presently attending a Sunday School class, and would like to try attending a simple, Bible-based, inter-generational Sunday School class, may I ask you to please contact me, Pastor Gene, at 386-546-2733, and plan to come, beginning Sunday, September 15th. Let's find out what God will do!

Please pray for this class, and all our Sunday School classes,

God bless you all,

Pastor Gene

Our Mission

To make disciples of Jesus Christ who worship passionately, love extravagantly, and witness boldly.

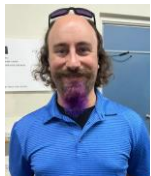
September Birthdays

09/03 Connie Kubilis
 09/06 Jared Lombardi
 09/11 Quinn Bensen
 09/15 William Goodchild
 09/19 Ray Colson
 09/21 Morris Tennier
 09/24 Evelyn Keller
 09/25 Jane Parks
 09/28 Jan Frantz
 09/30 Michael Van De Roer

September Anniversaries

09/10 Sherly & Dan Salisbury
 09/12 Julie & Gary Clark
 09/30 Trish & James Koschara

Please let the church office know if we missed a birthday or anniversary.



Meet our New Music Director, Tommy Durante

Tommy comes to Oneco Hope GMC highly recommended by Greg Rohr. Greg was his piano teacher for many years until Tommy left the area to attend college.

Tommy's family moved to Bradenton in 1989, when he was 3 months old. He graduated from Lakewood Ranch High School in 2007 and attended Manatee Community College (now SCF). He graduated from MCC with an A.A. Certificate of Musical Skills and Performance in 2009. Attended Florida State University and received a B.A. Liberal Arts degree with a focus on Music Composition. He earned a Certificate of Russian Language from Moscow State University summer study abroad program. He was certified in 2013/2014 from the Chicago School for Piano Technology, two one-year certificates - Basic Piano Repair and Maintenance Curriculum, and Advanced Piano Rebuilding Curriculum. He has taught music at IMG, Bayshore Elementary and is currently the Orchestra Director/AP Music/Guitar teacher at Lakewood Ranch High School. He is also the sole proprietor of Durante's Music Technical Services, a piano tech service since 2013.

"Do everything in love ..." (1 Cor. 16:14 NIV)

IMPORTANT CONTACT INFORMATION

NAME/TITLE	TELEPHONE
Dr. Gene Maddox, Pastor	386-546-2733
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**HOW DO PEOPLE
START ATTENDING
CHURCH?**

A FRIEND INVITED ME - 86%
ORGANIZED VISITATION - 6%
PASTOR INVITE - 6%
ADVERTISING - 2%

PEOPLE BRING PEOPLE!

Invite, Invite, Invite

Witness what God has done for you!

*"But you will receive power when the Holy Spirit comes on you;^a and you will be my witnesses^a in Jerusalem, and in all Judea and Samaria,^a and to the ends of the earth."
(Acts 1:8)*



If you are interested in ordering an Oneco Hope shirt, please contact Barb Jahnke at 941-756-6950.

New Member Classes
Sunday Nov. 10th & 17th - 3:00 – 5:00 PM
Come & See!

UPCOMING EVENTS

09/02	Labor Day – Office Closed
09/04	Discipleship Classes Resume in Fellowship Hall
09/11	Wednesday Night Potluck Dinner (Sponsored by Men's Group)
09/20	Lifeline Screening in Fellowship Hall
09/29	5 th Sunday Offering – Favor International